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CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY Week of Nov. 1 - 7, 2021

30th Street partial and temporary road closure and detour starts this week

Starting on or after Thursday, Nov. 4, 30th Street will be closed (in both directions) between Gateway and Mesa Roads through Spring 2022, weather dependent. **Access to Garden of the Gods Park, including the Visitor & Nature Center, will be maintained through the duration of the project.**

Construction Activities planned this week:

- Prepare the water quality pond site west of 30th Street near Chambers Way
- Begin constructing the temporary entrance to Garden of the Gods Park at Gateway Road, which will provide vehicle access to the park from the south while the new entry roundabout is built
- Close 30th Street between Gateway and Mesa roads on or after Nov. 4
- Continue survey work
- Remove fences, signs and guardrail
- Install construction fencing, signs and erosion control measures
- Begin removal of invasive species along 30th Street

Aside from the full road closure starting on or after Thursday, Nov. 4, no additional lane closures are anticipated within the work zone at this time. General work hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Occasional extended work hours or weekend work may be allowed for specific

necessary construction activities.

Foothills Trail detour now in place:

A temporary detour for a portion of the Foothills Trail is now in place between Chambers Way and Gateway Road. The trail detour, located along the west side of the Garden of the Gods Park overflow parking lot, is necessary through spring 2022 during water quality pond and roundabout construction.



ATTENTION: We ask for cooperation of those using the trail on foot and bike; please don't ignore the detour sign...for your safety and that of the construction workers, please use the marked trail detour.

Project Coordination with 2C Paving:

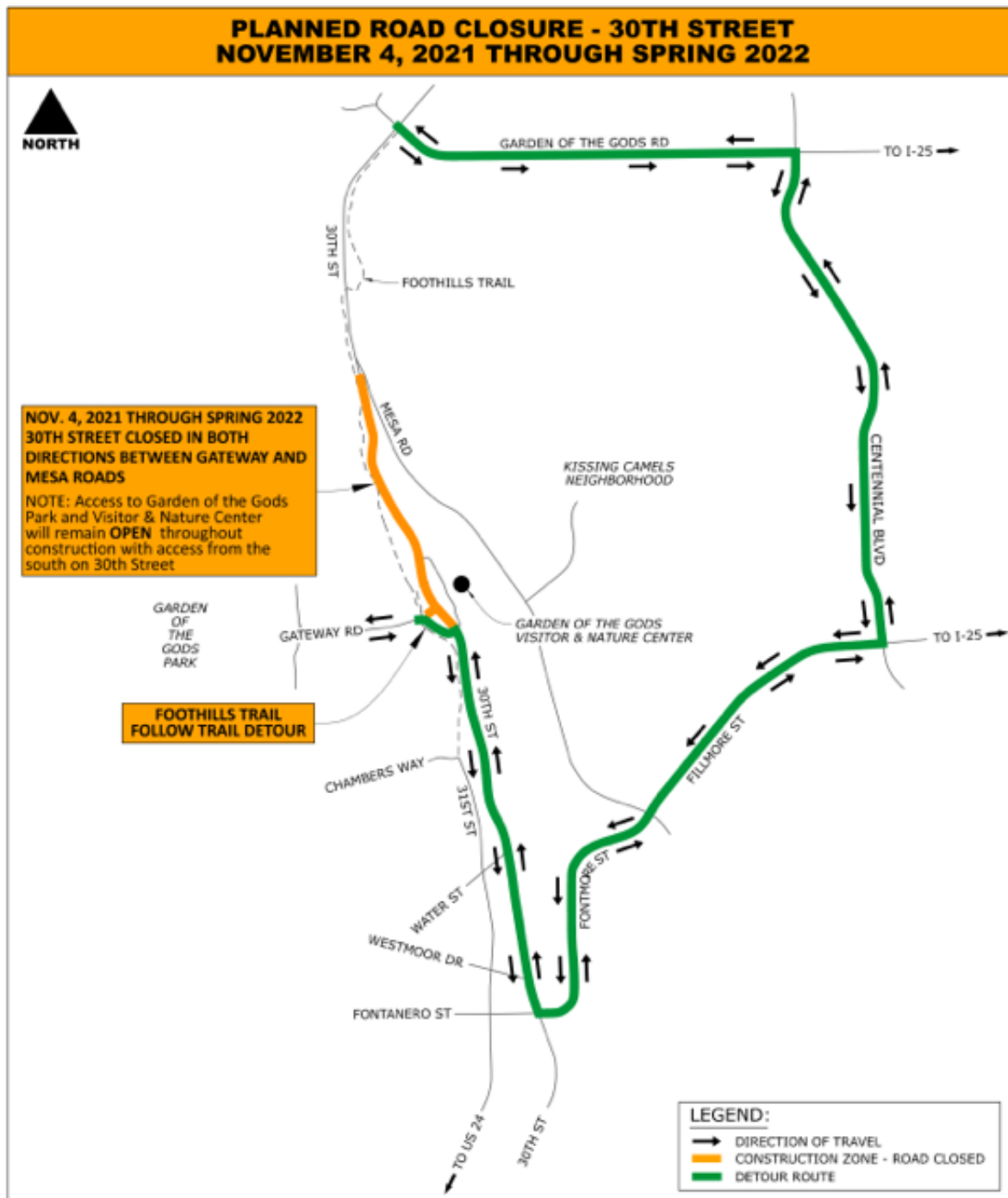
The project team is coordinating the 30th Street closure with the City's 2C paving project currently underway on 30th Street between Colorado Avenue and Fontanero Street.

- 2C paving is anticipated to be complete early next week.
- Once construction signs are removed for the 2C project, the 30th Street closure between Gateway and Mesa roads will begin.
- Construction activities are weather-dependent and schedules may change.
- Electronic message words along the corridor will provide the latest closure date information.

30th Street Detour Route:

The detour route for the 30th Street closure directs traffic to use Centennial Boulevard and Fillmore Street to enter Garden of the Gods Park from 30th Street south of Gateway Road.

- Detour notifications will be posted on major access routes including Interstate-25.
- Mesa Road will remain open for local access only.
- Once the roadway detour is in place, the contractor will begin construction on 30th Street between Gateway and Mesa roads.



**30TH STREET CORRIDOR PROJECT
(FONTANERO STREET TO MESA ROAD)
PHASE 1 DETOUR MAP**

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Project to relocate trees for water quality pond construction

Approximately 20 Ponderosa Pine trees and two Pinyon Pines growing in the area where the water quality pond will be constructed are being transplanted to a location north, along Foothills Trail. Native shrubs and grasses will be planted around the perimeter of the pond, within naturalized grading to blend in with the surrounding meadow setting and Rock Ledge Ranch. Landscape planting and tree transplanting/protection methods have been coordinated with the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services management team and the City Forestry Department. Invasive tree species along 30th Street will be removed to make way for the road improvements and widening.



Ponderosa and Pinyon Pine trees will be transplanted from the area of the new water quality pond to along the Foothills Trail.

Water Quality Pond:

As part of the project, a water quality pond will be added near Foothills Trail and Chambers Way to reduce flooding and improve water quality runoff. This 2-acre stormwater mitigation facility will collect, temporarily store, and treat runoff from 30th Street between Mesa Road and Chambers Way, before

releasing it at a lower flow rate over a period of time. Runoff will be captured by the new 30th Street curb and gutter system and directed through a stormwater pipe into the pond. Treated stormwater will be released from the pond via an underground pipe into the recently channelized segment of Camp Creek, just north of Chambers Way, and 31st Street.

Project Information

The City of Colorado Springs is implementing improvements to the 30th Street Corridor between Fontanero Street and Mesa Road. The project will improve safety and mobility for travelers, bicyclists, and pedestrians; improve water quality; stabilize hillside slopes; and create an effective emergency evacuation corridor for northwest Colorado Springs. This project was awarded to improve corridor emergency response needs, recognized during evacuation from the Waldo Canyon Fire. The project will also improve: safety of bicyclists riding in mixed traffic on 30th Street; Garden of the Gods Park entrance congestion, and untreated roadway runoff that flows into the Park and adjacent neighborhoods.

The addition of multi-use shoulders to 30th Street between Fontanero Street and Mesa Road will widen the road, creating space for emergency vehicles and evacuation, and provide a safe space for bicyclists to ride. The new roundabout at Gateway Road will reduce congestion and improve safety for corridor travelers and park visitors, and will create a “sense of arrival” for the park entrance. In addition, there will be a new pedestrian underpass for Foothills Trail at Gateway Road. Stormwater improvements will include roadside new curb, gutter, storm sewer, and water quality treatment.

These corridor improvements have been developed over a four-year period (2017 – 2021), with continuous community and agency involvement in exploring alternatives, developing design concepts, and evaluating environmental impacts. The City received environmental clearances for the project from Colorado Department of Transportation and Federal Highways Administration.



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30th Street Corridor Project Schedule

- Contractor Selected (Wildcat Construction): August 2021
- Construction Began: October 22, 2021
- Construction Completion: 2023 (Estimated time to construct: 18-24 months) Weather dependent

Funding

- Design funded by City Public Works capital funds
- Construction funded by Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

For more information on the project: [ColoradoSprings.gov/30thStreet](https://coloradosprings.gov/30thStreet)

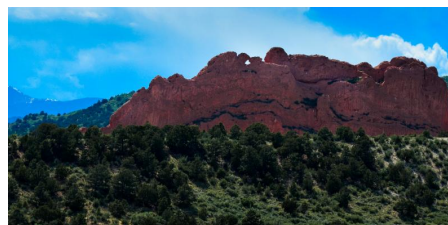
Sign up to receive project updates and notices of the public meetings, send an email to: 30thStImprovements@gmail.com requesting to be added to the project database.

How to stay informed.

Website: [ColoradoSprings.gov/30thStreet](https://coloradosprings.gov/30thStreet)

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